

Hon. Mr. Coates.

LEGISLATURE AMENDMENT.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to amend the Legislature Act, 1908.

Title.

BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows :—

1. This Act may be cited as the Legislature Amendment Act, 1925, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Legislature Act, 1908 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

Short Title.

2. Section thirty-five of the principal Act is hereby amended by adding to subsection two the following words: "and notwithstanding his absence for any period at the seat of Government in attendance as a member of either House of Parliament."

Protection of electoral rights of members of Legislature.

3. (1.) For all the purposes of the principal Act a person appointed to the Executive Council shall be deemed, so long as he holds that office, to continue to reside in the electoral district on the electoral roll whereof he was registered at the time of such appointment (hereinafter referred to as the original roll) notwithstanding his absence therefrom at the seat of Government or elsewhere, unless and until he elects by notice in writing to the Chief Electoral Officer to be transferred from the original roll to the roll of another electoral district wherein he has actually resided for a period of three months.

Electoral rights of members of Executive Council.

(2.) Upon the receipt of any such notice in writing as aforesaid the Chief Electoral Officer shall cause all necessary steps to be taken to effect such transfer, and thereupon the person giving such notice shall cease to be entitled to continue to be registered under this section as an elector upon the original roll.

4. The nomination of any person as a candidate for election, or his election as a member of Parliament, shall not be questioned on the ground that, though entitled to be registered as an elector of any district, he was not in fact registered as an elector of that district but was registered as an elector of some other district.

Nomination or election not invalidated by reason of registration on wrong roll.